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- ## TRAIN TO BE A TRADER

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fine brushes by women.

5. Most of the products were packed in cardboard boxes which in turn were shipped in wooden crates, about 75 x 100 x 150 cm. Some of the shipments went to the Central Tesla Office in Prague and to Vrchlabi, while parts of the products were trucked for storage to the big Zbrojovka Vsetin spot in Vsetin, which had been used by the Wehrmacht during the war and fell undamaged into Czech hands. The products shipped to Vsetin were referred to as "Radare" (sic) in the plant. No further information was available.
6. Steam was produced by the plant-owned boiler house. Since the power supplied by the factory power plant did not cover the requirements, additional power was received from a power plant near Trebovice on the Orpa river, located six kilometers west of Ostrava. The plant owned ten trucks.
7. The plant was guarded by armed industrial police. A special security office issued gate passes with photographs which had to be extended every month. No precautionary air raid measures were observed.
8. Until about late 1951, the position of the plant director was held by Graduate Engineer Schlesinger (fnu) who allegedly was replaced because of political unreliability. A Bulgarian was chief of the chemical laboratory. In late 1952, the work force included about 1,000 laborers working in the production department and about 300 employees working in the technical and chemical laboratory and in the administration. Work was done in three shifts including one main shift during the day. There was no production work on Sundays. The laborers, however, frequently had to volunteer to work in so-called brigades doing clearing, construction, and transport work. Fifty to 60 percent of the work force were women including about 300 Greek women who had been deported by the Communists during the civil war. They lived in small rooms in a plant-owned boarding house and were generally well treated by the Czechs. German experts or prisoners were not employed at the plant. During 1952, the plant was visited by various civilian commissions and one Soviet-Czech military commission which came during the spring of 1952.

- 25X1A 1. ☐ Comment. The Tesla plant, , in Vrchlabi (Hohenelbe) previously a plant of the Lorenz Firm in Berlin, now a branch plant of Tesla Roznov, produced electron tubes and housed the development department for vacuum techniques.
- 25X1A 2. ☐ Comment. For plant layout of the Tesla Plant in Roznov see Annex.

Enclosure: Sketch of Plant (1 page- Army, Air, ORR)

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Legend.

## A Tube Plant

- 1 Western production building
- 2 Eastern production building

Both five- or six-story buildings, about 40 x 100 meters, were modern steel frame buildings with concrete footings with large windows and a flat asphalted roof.

- 3 Production building under construction. The foundations were completed on schedule by late 1952, the superstructure was to be started on 1 May 1953. The building covered an area of about 40 x 100 meters. In late 1952 about 400 construction laborers of various construction firms worked on the building. There was enough construction material available.

- 4 Boiler house and power plant with brick smokestack.

- 5 Five or six-story brick building, so-called boarding house for unmarried women.

The building housed a material store and, in the basement, the plant kitchen.

- 6 Loading ramp

- 7 Main gate

- 8 Side gate

- 9 Wire mesh fence, 1 to 1.2 m high, on <sup>brick</sup> foundations, about 1 meter high

B MCB Weaving Mill

C Roznov Railroad Station

D Inn

E So-called Ringplatz

F Park

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